

**Amendment to the Abstract:**

The Abstract has been amended. A clean copy of the Abstract is attached.

A device for needle biopsy with a syringe cylinder, with a plunger displaceable therein as well as with a needle means, which has ~~a plurality of puncture needles and whose channels open at least one needle, whose channel opens~~ into the interior of the cylinder, wherein a ventilation means, by which the volume between the bottom and the plunger can be temporarily connected with the environment, is provided for the interior of the syringe cylinder.